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SUBJECT: AIR CONTROLLERS STRIKE

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1. SETTLEMENT OF CANADIAN AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL ASSOCIATION (CATCA) NATIONWIDE STRIKE BEFORE PARLIAMENT MEETS 2:00 P.M., AUG. 9 TO SEEK APPROVAL BACK-TO-WORK LEGISLATION APPEARS HIGHLY UNLIKELY AT THIS TIME ACCORDING TO BOTH MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT (MOT) AND CATCA OFFICIALS.

2. STRIKE COMMENCED 4:00 A.M. EDT SUNDAY, AUGUST 7 (REFTEL) AND HAS SUCCEEDED IN CLOSING DOWN ALL CIVIL AIR TRAFFIC EXCEPT GANDER-OCEANIC STATION, WHICH MOT REPORTS TO BE FUNCTIONING SMOOTHLY, AND SOME FLIGHTS TO ISOLATED AREAS IN FAR NORTH.

3. AS OF NOON SUNDAY, AUGUST 7 GOC OFFICIALS NOT CERTAIN WHETHER UNANIMOUS APPROVAL BY PARLIAMENT OF BACK-TO-WORK LEGISLATION WILL BE FORTHCOMING AT TUESDAY'S SESSION. NDP APPARENTLY IN DILEMMA OVER WHETHER TO SUPPORT LEGISLATION AND HAS SCHEDULED CAUCUS MEETING TODAY TO DETERMINE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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ITS POSITION. IF UNANIMOUS APPROVAL IS NOT GIVEN AT TUESDAY PARLIAMENTARY SESSION, GOVERNMENT FACES PROLONGED DELAY IN PASSING LEGISLATION, AND MILITANT STANCE OF CATCA LIKELY TO CONTINUE. ENDERS

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